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### Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment

The amendment filed on October 14, 2003 is considered non-compliant because it failed to meet the requirements of 37 CFR § 1.121, as amended on June 30, 2003 (see *68 Fed. Reg. 38611*, Jun. 30, 2003). In order for the amendment to be compliant, correction of the following item(s) is required. **Only the corrected section of the non-compliant amendment must be resubmitted (in its entirety), e.g., the entire "Amendments to the claims" section of applicant's amendment must be re-submitted.** 37 CFR § 1.121(h).

The amendment is non-compliant because:

- (a) Each claim has not been provided with the proper status identifier, and as such, the individual status of each claim cannot be identified; and
- (b) The complete listing of all the claims must include indication of how the presently amended claims are changed.

In particular, claims 20 and 22 have not been provided and the status of claims 20 and 22 is not properly identified by the amendment. If the claims are amended, the claims must include indications of how the claims are changed. If the claims are canceled, the claims should be identified as canceled.

For further explanation of the amendment format required by 37 CFR § 1.121, see MPEP § 714 and the USPTO website at

<http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/dapp/opla/preognotice/officeflyer.pdf>.

As the non-compliant amendment is reply to a NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION, and since the amendment appears to be a bona fide attempt to be a reply (37 CFR § 1.135(c)), applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of **ONE (1) MONTH** from the mailing date of this notice within which to re-submit the corrected section which complies with 37

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CFR § 1.121 in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).


Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Stephen L. Rawlings, Ph.D. whose telephone number is (571) 272-0836. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday, 8:30AM-5:00PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Yvonne (Bonnie) Eyler, Ph.D. can be reached on (571) 272-0871. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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